APPROVE ENTERING INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE NATIONAL STUDENT CLEARINGHOUSE

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve entering into an agreement with the National Student Clearinghouse ("Clearinghouse") to provide diploma verification and postsecondary enrollment tracking services to the Department of Postsecondary Education and Student Development at a cost not to exceed \$225,000. Consultant was not selected on a competitive basis due to the fact that no other institution can provide the same type or level of data as the consultant. A written agreement for Consultant's services is currently being negotiated. No services shall be provided by Consultant and no payment shall be made to Consultant prior to the execution of the written agreement. The authority granted herein shall automatically rescind in the event a written agreement is not executed within 90 days of the date of this Board Report. Information pertinent to this agreement is stated below.

CONSULTANT:

National Student Clearinghouse 13454 Sunrise Valley Drive, Suite 300 Herndon, VA 20171 Phone: 703-742-4202

Contact Person: George Leuathes

Vendor Number: 39882

USER:

Office of High Schools and High School Programs
Department of Postsecondary Education and Student Development
125 South Clark, 12th Floor
Phone: 773-553-2106
Contact Person: David G. Gilligan

TERM: The term of this agreement shall commence on the date the agreement is signed and shall end 60 months thereafter.

EARLY TERMINATION RIGHT: The Board shall have the right to terminate this agreement with 30 days written notice.

SCOPE OF SERVICES: Clearinghouse will provide two services: *DiplomaVerify* and *EnrollmentSearch*. Through the *DiplomaVerify* service, Clearinghouse will respond on behalf of the CPS Student Records Department to requests from prospective employers and postsecondary institutions seeking confirmation that a graduate has received a CPS diploma, when the request for confirmation is accompanied by written consent from the graduate. Through the *EnrollmentSearch* service, Clearinghouse will provide to the Office of High Schools and High School Programs data about verified enrollment of CPS graduates in postsecondary institutions.

DELIVERABLES:

For DiplomaVerify

- Clearinghouse will make available an online database of CPS graduates and will publish the availability of that online database to authorized users in order to check graduation status.
- Clearinghouse will provide 24x7 service in responding on behalf of CPS to authorized requests for diploma verification.
- Clearinghouse will provide to authorized CPS staff Internet access to the data needed for CPS to audit all transactions performed by the Clearinghouse on behalf of CPS.

For EnrollmentSearch:

Clearinghouse will provide verified postsecondary enrollment data for CPS graduates in an electronic file. Data will include:

- initial enrolled status
- highest enrolled status

- postsecondary institution
- type of institution
- college graduation status
- type of degree
- college major
- · enrollment history, including transfers

OUTCOMES: Consultant's services will result in the following outcomes:

- Improved implementation of CPS Education Plan
- Data support for the Department of Postsecondary Education and Student Development and the Office of High Schools and High School Programs
- Data support for the Office of Specialized Services, Office of Academic Enhancement and REA for postsecondary outcomes
- Continuation of the CPS postsecondary tracking system
- Continued accountability for the district and at the school level based on postsecondary outcomes

COMPENSATION: Consultant shall be paid as follows: (1) for each of the five years of the agreement, \$425/high school; (2)Total annual compensation not to exceed \$45,000; (3) Total compensation for the 5 year term of the agreement will not exceed the sum of \$225,000.

REIMBURSABLE EXPENSES: None

AUTHORIZATION: Authorize the General Counsel to include other relevant terms and conditions in the written agreement. Authorize the President and Secretary to execute the agreement. Authorize the Director of Postsecondary of Education and Student Development to execute all ancillary documents required to administer or effectuate this agreement.

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION: Pursuant to Section 5.2 of the Remedial Program for Minority and Women Owned Business Enterprise Participation in Goods and Services contracts, MBE/WBE provisions do not apply to those vendors who operate as Not-for-Profit organizations.

LSC REVIEW: Local School Council approval is not applicable to this report.

FINANCIAL: Charge to Office of High Schools and High School Programs: \$45,000 Fiscal Year: 2009 Budget Classification: 13727-115-54125-212023-000000

GENERAL CONDITIONS:

Inspector General – Each party to the agreement shall acknowledge that, in accordance with 105 ILCS 5/34-13.1, the Inspector General of the Chicago Board of Education has the authority to conduct certain investigations and that the Inspector General shall have access to all information and personnel necessary to conduct those investigations.

Conflicts – The agreement shall not be legally binding on the Board if entered into in violation of the provisions of 105 ILCS 5/34-21.3 which restricts the employment of, or the letting of contracts to, former Board members during the one year period following expiration or other termination of their terms of office.

Indebtedness – The Board's Indebtedness Policy adopted June 26, 1996 (96-0626-PO3), as amended from time to time, shall be incorporated into and made a part of the agreement.

Ethics – The Board's Ethics Code adopted June 23, 2004 (04-0623-PO4), as amended from time to time, shall be incorporated into and made a part of the agreement.

Contingent Liability – The agreement shall contain the clause that any expenditure beyond the current fiscal year is deemed a contingent liability, subject to appropriation in the subsequent fiscal year budget(s).

Approved for Consideration:

Opa L. Walls

Chief Purchasing Officer

Within Appropriation:

Pedro Martinez

Chief Financial Officer

Approved:

Arne Duncan

Approved as to legal form

Patrick J. Rocks

General Counsel